

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-4, 7, 9-12, 14, and 16-30 are pending in the application. Claims 5, 6, 8, 13, and 15 are canceled and new claims 29 and 30 are added.

It is noted that Applicant specifically states that no amendment to any claim herein should be construed as a disclaimer of any interest in or right to an equivalent of any element or feature of the amended claim.

The feature disclosed on page 7 line 2 through page 8 line 9 of the specification and Figure 3 are incorporated into the independent claims.

**IV. CONCLUSION**

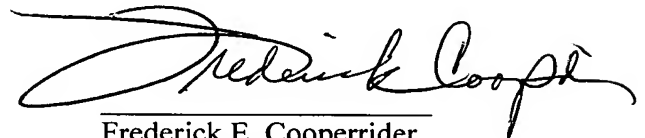
In view of the foregoing, Applicant submits that claims 1-4, 7, 9-12, 14, and 16-30, all the claims presently pending in the application, are patentably distinct over the prior art of record and are in condition for allowance. The Examiner is respectfully requested to pass the above application to issue at the earliest possible time.

Should the Examiner find the application to be other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below to discuss any other changes deemed necessary in a telephonic or personal interview.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in fees or to credit any overpayment in fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

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Respectfully Submitted,



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